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_____ on _____ was tested for
antibodies to the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). The person
named above was found to be NEGATIVE for the antibodies to HIV.
THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THIS PERSON IS FREE OF HIV
INFECTION.

AIDS is caused by HIV, the virus which attacks the body's immune
system. People who have been infected by the virus produce
antibodies to the infection; these antibodies are what the HIV test
measures. A negative test result means one of the following:

- (1) The person may have been tested too soon after being
infected with the virus so that the antibodies may not
have appeared in the blood yet. It usually takes 3-6
months after a person is infected for antibodies to form.
The person may need to be retested.
- (2) The person is not infected with HIV, the virus that
causes AIDS.

ALSO, A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT DOES NOT MEAN IMMUNITY TO
INFECTION AFTER THE TEST. A person engaging in high
risk behavior after having been tested can still become
infected.

For further information on HIV/AIDS:

Contact a doctor or local health department or call the
Virginia AIDS Hotline 1-800-533-4148.

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